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HILLTOP LIBRARY NEWS

No direct provisions for Hilltop or Eastside library services were outlined in the 2025-2026 budget, BUT the need for them was included. They may also be in upcoming assessments re: library funding and facilities projects. No timeline was given, so it's very important to press City Council to make this a priority and, in the meantime, find creative ways to meet library service needs in our under-served communities. Come to our January 16th Zoom meeting to share your ideas and discuss new ways we can approach this old problem. We especially need ideas for potential locations that can host library outreach, new ways to put necessary pressure on City Council to prioritize library services to our neighborhoods, and thoughts on creating wider community engagement.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM HLPC!

As we wrap up 2024, we want to thank you all for your support and advocacy. This work is never quick or easy, but it, and you, are valuable. May you find joy and kindness in 2025 and always! We'll see you there!



ONGOING ACTIONS!



BE HEARD!

EMAIL ACTION: Continue contacting city council, the library board, and the mayor until we see concrete results. Take 2 minutes to send our [community action letter](#). Be sure to mention your concerns for a lack of library services available to the Hilltop and Eastside neighborhoods so it gets more attention. Send now, send often!

IN-PERSON ACTION: New Councilmember Sandesh Sadalge of District 4, is having a townhall meeting Wednesday, December 18, from 6 to 7:30 PM at the VFW 969 Hall, 3510 McKinley Ave, Tacoma. Ask him about the Eastside library initiative!

City Council allows public comments and questions the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. More info [here](#). Council calendar [here](#). Not sure what to say? Check out our [Talking Points!](#)

VOLUNTEER: We could use help with our social media, especially our [Facebook page!](#) If you can help post even once a month, [let us know!](#)

NEXT HLPC MEETING: JANUARY 16TH, 2024

NO DECEMBER MEETING! [Attend our Jan. Zoom meeting instead](#) to discuss your ideas for expanding library services to the Hilltop in 2025, Main Library updates, and outreach librarian updates. If you're on the email list, you'll get a reminder soon! [Sign up today!](#)